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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 1 2 **COMMISSIONERS** 2007 MAY -4 ₱ 1:21 3 JEFF HATCH-MILLER, Chairman WILLIAM A. MUNDELL AZ CORP COMMISSION 4 MIKE GLEASON DOCUMENT CONTROL KRISTIN K. MAYES 5 **GARY PIERCE** 6 IN THE MATTER OF: DOCKET NO. S-20437A-05-0925 7 Arizona Corporation Commission Reserve Oil & Gas, Inc., a Nevada Corporation DOCKETED 3507 North Central Avenue, Ste. 503 8 Phoenix, AZ 85012 MAY - 4 2007Allen and Jane Doe Stout, Sr., husband and wife 1309 West Portland Street 10 DOCKETED BY Phoenix, AZ 85007-2102 11 Respondents. 12 BY THE COMMISSION: 13 On December 30, 2005, the Securities Division ("Division") of the Arizona Corporation 14 Commission ("Commission") filed a Temporary Order to Cease and Desist ("T.O.") and a Notice of 15 Opportunity for Hearing ("Notice") against Reserve Oil & Gas, Inc. (ROG"), Allen and Jane Doe 16 Stout, Sr., and Allen and Jane Doe Stout, Jr. (collectively "Respondents"), in which the Division 17 alleged that the Respondents committed multiple violations of the Arizona Securities Act ("Act") in 18 connection with the offer and sale of securities in the form of investment contracts. As a result of the 19 T.O., the Respondents were immediately ordered to cease and desist from violating the Act. 20 Respondents were duly served with copies of the Notice. 21 On January 19, 2006, Respondents filed a request for hearing. Subsequently, by Procedural 22 Order, a pre-hearing conference was scheduled for February 7, 2006. 23 On February 7, 2006, the pre-hearing conference was convened as scheduled. The Division 24 and Respondents were present with counsel. The Division requested another pre-hearing conference 25 be scheduled and additional time be taken for the preparation of its case and further discovery. By 26 Procedural Order, another pre-hearing conference was scheduled for April 27, 2006. 27 On March 20, 2006, a Stipulation for Substitution of Counsel for Respondents was filed with 28 the Commission.

On April 27, 2006, the Division appeared through counsel. Respondents did not enter an appearance. Subsequently, counsel for the Respondents advised the Hearing Division that prior counsel failed to advise him of the April 27, 2006, pre-hearing conference which had previously been scheduled.

On April 28, 2006, by Procedural Order, a pre-hearing conference was scheduled.

On May 25, 2006, the Division and Respondents appeared through counsel. The parties stipulated that another pre-hearing be scheduled in approximately 60 days during which time discovery and a possible resolution of the issues raised by the Notice could be discussed.

On May 26, 2006, by Procedural Order, a pre-hearing conference was scheduled for August 10, 2006. However this date caused a scheduling conflict and required rescheduling.

On July 26, 2006, by Procedural Order, the pre-hearing conference scheduled for August 10, 2006, was rescheduled to August 31, 2006.

On August 31, 2006, the Division and Respondents appeared through counsel. The Division requested that a hearing be scheduled because the parties had been unable to agree on a settlement of the issues raised in the T.O. and Notice. Subsequently, by Procedural Order, a hearing was scheduled on November 7, 2006, and the exchange of witness lists and exhibits was ordered.

On November 7, 2006, a hearing was convened before a duly authorized Administrative Law Judge of the Commission and its offices in Phoenix, Arizona. The Division and Respondents appeared through counsel. Due to a number of outstanding motions and issues raised at the outset of the hearing, the proceeding was recessed to allow counsel for Respondents to take the deposition of a Division witness who resides in Colorado. It was determined that pending motions would be addressed after the deposition was concluded.

On November 9, 2006, Respondents filed a Motion to Set a Settlement Conference and requested that Assistant Chief Law Judge, Dwight Nodes preside over the proceeding. The Division did not oppose Respondent's Motion.

On November 30, 2006, by Procedural Order, a settlement conference was scheduled for December 13, 2006. However, the parties were unable to conclude a settlement.

On January 30, 2007, by Procedural Order, a status conference was scheduled for February

15, 2007. 1 On February 15, 2007, the Division's counsel and counsel for the Respondents appeared. 2 Pending motions were addressed including the taking of a deposition of a Division witness and the 3 taking of the deposition of Mr. Allen C. Stout. Further, Respondents were permitted leave to file 4 5 their amended Answers. On May 2, 2007, a full public hearing was convened before a duly authorized Administrative 6 7 Law Judge of the Commission at its offices in Phoenix, Arizona. The Division and Respondents were represented by counsel. The hearing was reconvened on May 3, 2007, and the parties agreed 8 9 that further hearing time would be required to conclude the proceeding. 10 Accordingly, another hearing should be scheduled. IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that a hearing shall be held on June 27, 2007, at 9:30 a.m., 11 at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona. 12 day of May, 2007 Dated this 13 14 15 16 MARC E. STERN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE 17 Copies of the foregoing mailed/delivered 18 day of May, 2007, to: 19 Paul J. Roshka, Jr. ROSHKA. DeWULF & PATTEN 20 400 East Van Buren Street, Ste. 800 Phoenix, AZ 85004 21 Attorney for Respondents 22 Matt Neubert, Director Securities Division 23 ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 1200 West Washington Street 24 Phoenix, AZ 85007 25 ARIZONA REPORTING SERVICE, INC. 2627 N. Third Street, Ste. Three 26 Phoenix, Arizona 85004-1104 27 By:

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